

John Denver

"The Weight"

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I pulled into Nazareth, was feelin' about half past dead
I just need some place where I can lay my head
"Hey, mister, can you tell me where a man might find a
bed?"
He just grinned and shook my hand, and "no", was all
he said

Take a load off Fannie, take a load for free
Take a load off Fannie, and, and, and you put the load
right on me

I picked up my bag, I went lookin' for a place to hide
When I saw Carmen and the Devil walkin' side by side
I said, "Hey, Carmen, come on, let's go downtown"
She said, "I gotta go, but m'friend can stick around"

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Go down, Miss Moses, there's nothin' you can say
It's just ol' Luke, and Luke's waitin' on the Judgement
Day
"Well Luke, my friend, what about young Anna Lee?"
He said, "do me a favor son, won't ya stay and keep
Anna Lee company?"

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right on me

Crazy Chester followed me, and he caught me in the
fog
He said, "I will fix your rack, if you'll take Jack, my dog"
I said, "wait a minute, Chester, you know I'm a peaceful
man"
He said, "that's okay, boy, won't you feed him when
you can"

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right on me

Catch a cannonball now, to take me down the line
My bag is sinkin' low and I do believe it's time
To get back to Miss Fannie, you know she's the only one
Who sent me here with her regards for everyone

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put the load, put the load, put the load right on me

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